REMARKS

Claim 12 was rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as anticipated by DE 9166709. This claim has been cancelled.

Claims 1-3 and 11 were indicated as allowed.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe the instant application to be in condition for allowance and respectfully request that such action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,

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